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USING THEREFOR, AND HEAT TREATMENT FOR CONTAINER

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REQUEST FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION

Sir:

With reference to the Office Action dated December 23, 2003, Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of the response term from the present term of March 23, 2004, up to a new term of April 23, 2004. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400 in the amount of \$110 to cover the fee for this one-month extension, or any required fees in excess of the amount submitted, or credit any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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